

**Department of Human Resources  
Memorandum**

**TO: Personnel Management Liaisons (PML)**

<b>SUBJECT:</b> Travel/Relocation Programs – Lodging/Per Diem Increases for CDF Firefighters (BU 8)	<b>REFERENCE NUMBER:</b> 2013-035
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Effective September 1, 2013, the Department of Human Resources (CalHR) updated lodging and per diem reimbursement rates for official State travel for employees represented by Bargaining Unit 8 (BU 8). Rank and file employees whose BU has not reached an agreement with CalHR on a new contract will continue to use the rates found in their current contract until further notice.

**Short-Term Lodging Rates for BU 8**

- All counties/cities located in California (except as noted below):  
Actual lodging expense, supported by a receipt, up to \$90 per night, plus tax.
- Napa, Riverside, and Sacramento Counties:  
Actual lodging expense, supported by a receipt, up to \$95 per night, plus tax.
- Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura Counties and Edwards AFB, excluding the City of Santa Monica:  
Actual lodging expense, supported by a receipt, up to \$120 per night, plus tax.
- Alameda, Monterey, San Diego, San Mateo, Santa Clara Counties:  
Actual lodging expense, supported by a receipt, up to \$125 per night, plus tax.
- San Francisco County and the City of Santa Monica:  
Actual lodging expense, supported by a receipt, up to \$150 per night, plus tax.

Per Diem Rates for BU 8

- **The new Per Diem rates are as follows:**

- Breakfast: \$ 7
- Lunch: \$11
- Dinner: \$23
- Incidentals: \$ 5

Please note that employees may claim only their *actual* expense for meals. In the event of an audit, employees must be prepared to furnish receipts substantiating the amount claimed.

For departments using the California Automated Travel Expense Reimbursement System (CalATERS), a CalATERS letter will be released in the near future with information and instructions on how to address the above-referenced rate changes.

If you have questions or need assistance with the information provided above, please contact Ray Asbell at the phone number or email address listed above.

/s/Greg Beatty

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